



PREPROPOSAL STATEMENT OF INQUIRY

(RCW 34.05.310)

CR-101 (7/10/97)

Do NOT use for expedited repeal or adoption

Agency:

State Board of Health

Subject of possible rule making:

WAC 246-217-025 - Issuance of food worker cards--Fees.

The State Board of Health will consider whether the fee for food worker cards should be raised.

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(a) Statutes authorizing the agency to adopt rules on this subject:

RCW 69.06.020 - Permit exclusive and valid throughout the state--Fee.

(b) Reasons why rules on this subject may be needed and what they might accomplish:

Food worker cards protect public health by ensuring that food handlers are trained and able to pass a test demonstrating knowledge of proper food handling techniques. RCW 69.06.020 directs that the fee for food worker cards should reflect the actual cost of food worker training, testing and administration of these programs. However, the fee for food worker cards has not been adjusted since 1992. The State Board of Health is considering whether current fees provide adequate funding to continue programs at present levels.

(c) Identify other federal and state agencies that regulate this subject and the process coordinating the rule with these agencies:

None

(d) Process for developing new rule (check all that apply):

- ☐ Negotiated rule making
- ☐ Pilot rule making
- ☐ Agency study
- ☒ Other (describe)

The issue will be discussed and public comment will be taken at State Board of Health meetings. The Department of Health will also work to include interested parties through mailings and/or workshops.

(e) How interested parties can participate in the decision to adopt the new rule and formulation of the proposed rule before publication:

(List names, addresses, telephone, fax numbers of persons to contact; describe meetings, other exchanges of information, etc.)

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